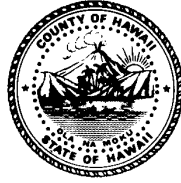


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NEWS RELEASE

Free Residential Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event Information

Household Hazardous Waste collection events will be held between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on the following dates and locations:

Saturday, March 5, 2022 at the Waimea District Park. *Please note new location.*

Sunday, March 6, 2022 at the Pāhoā Recycling and Transfer Station.

The County of Hawai'i's Department of Environmental Management holds these regular collection events, at no charge to the public, so households can conveniently dispose of acceptable household hazardous waste in a manner that protects both public health and the environment.

Acceptable household hazardous waste includes automotive fluids, used batteries, fluorescent bulbs, and pesticides. For a more complete list of acceptable or unacceptable household hazardous waste, please visit our website at <https://www.hawaiizerowaste.org/recycle/household-hazardous-waste/>. The website includes other useful information on solid waste diversion and recycling.

These events are for household-generated and self-hauled waste **only**. Business, government agency, non-profit agency, or farm wastes are prohibited by law. **No** latex paint, **no** electronic waste, and **no** tires will be accepted.

Social/Physical Distancing Rules for Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Events:

These rules are for your safety and the safety of the staff conducting these events. Please kōkua and thank you for doing your part to keep these events safe for all participants.

- Remain in your vehicle unless directed by authorized personnel.

- Prior to arriving at the event, place your HHW items in your trunk or truck bed. Make sure your trunk can be unlocked or opened remotely. If you don't have a trunk or truck bed, it is preferred that you place your materials in the unlocked and unoccupied backseat area.
- Due to infection transmission hazard, **ALL** containers brought to the event will not be returned and should be disposable. If you want to keep your container, transfer the material into a safe disposable container prior to the event.
- To minimize interactions, please label your HHW items (if possible) and make sure that your HHW items are easily distinguishable and separate from anything else in your trunk or truck bed.
- 6-foot physical distancing is required. Facial masks covering nose & mouth are required.
- If you are under quarantine, feeling ill or showing symptoms of illness, please consider postponing your participation in our event or designate someone else to drop off your materials.

If you have any questions regarding these HHW collection events, please contact Chris Chin-Chance, Recycling Specialist with the Department of Environmental Management, at (808) 961-8554, or email recycle3@hawaiicounty.gov. Mahalo for your kōkua in keeping our island a clean and safe paradise!